

NewSpring Church Groups Guide

Home for Christmas — Week 4 — Prince of Peace

“Home” brings out two contrasting feelings within most people. People want to stray from home or go on vacations, but while away, they long for the comfort and refuge of the very place from which they longed to escape. Those same opposing feelings were present in the prodigal son. The son wanted to get as far away from his home and his father as possible but then while away, he saw the true value of his refuge and of the Father who loved him as only a Father can.

What lures you away from the plans that God has for you? Describe a time in your life where you were far from God?

Why do we often define ourselves by how good or bad we are?

Where is God’s authority at work in your life? Why do we rebel against his authority?

Why do we blame God for our current situation instead of accepting responsibility?

Why do we have a problem admitting that we are not good enough on our own?

What is God’s plan for your life in 2010? What hopes do you have for the new year?

The things of this world provide us with lots of fun. However, the things of this world cannot give us peace and comfort. Peace is found when we realize that Jesus loves us so much that He calls us home to Himself. Jesus longs to be our home. Are you longing to come home?